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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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CHRISTOPHER LEROY PETERSON, :  
Plaintiff :  
: No. 1:CV-01-0972  
v. :  
: (Judge Kane)  
SCI CAMP HILL, :  
Defendant : (M.J. Blewitt)

**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT'S  
MOTION FOR INVOLUNTARY DISMISSAL**

In this civil action brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 by an inmate of a state correctional institution, the Court on December 8, 2001 granted the defendant's motion to dismiss and directed plaintiff to file an amended complaint within thirty days, i.e., by January 7, 2002. Plaintiff has not done so.

Accordingly, the Court should dismiss the action for plaintiff's failure to comply with an order of the Court. Stackhouse v. Mazurkiewicz, 951 F.2d 29, 30 (3d Cir. 1992) ( if party fails to comply after a specific direction from court, dismissal is appropriate).

For these reasons, Defendant's motion for involuntary dismissal should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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